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EGYPT

1. SIGNIFICANCE: THE AIRFIELD HAS BEEN USED EXTENSIVELY AS AN INTERMEDIATE STOP FOR AIRCRAFT MOVEMENTS TO YEMEN.
2. REMARKS: RAS BANAS IS THE SOUTHERNMOST EGYPTIAN AIRFIELD ON THE RED SEA COAST. ITS LOCATION GREATLY ENHANCES THE AIR DEFENSE CAPABILITIES OF THE EGYPTIAN AIR FORCE.
3. LOCATION: IN SOUTHEAST EGYPT ON THE RED SEA COAST APPROXIMATELY 140 NM EAST OF ASWAN AND 19 NM WNW OF RAS BANAS AT 2358N 03528E.
4. COLLATERAL/COMINT: INTERCEPTED EGYPTIAN MESSAGES HAVE REFERRED TO THE DEPLOYMENT OF MIG-19 (FARMER) AIRCRAFT TO RAS BANAS. PHOTOGRAPHY HAS NOT BEEN ABLE TO CONFIRM THEIR DEPLOYMENT.
5. FIRST IDENTIFICATION:
6. NEGATION DATE: NOT AVAILABLE.
7. SUBSEQUENT COVERAGE: 2 KH-4 MISSIONS AND 4 KH-7 MISSIONS

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8. DIMENSIONS/SPECIFICATIONS: RUNWAY: 9,125 X 150 FT, NW/SE, BLACKTOP

9. MISSION READOUT:

[REDACTED] REVEALS A BLACKTOP RUNWAY
WITH A PARALLEL TAXIWAY CONNECTED AT EACH END
BY A SEMICIRCULAR TAXIWAY CONTAINING 4 HARD-
STANDS. FOUR ADDITIONAL HARDSTANDS ARE LOCATED
NORTH OF THE TAXIWAY. SUPPORT FACILITIES
INCLUDE POL STORAGE AND A POSSIBLE COMMUNICA-
TIONS FACILITY AND APPROXIMATELY 35 BUILDINGS.
NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

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